

\$166 billion in fiscal year 2001, to a lock box to prevent it from being used to finance other government programs. And, it proposes a \$40 billion reserve fund to be used to reform Medicare and provide prescription drug coverage for Medicare beneficiaries who need it.

In addition, the Republican budget proposal contains \$150 billion in tax relief over five years, including the elimination of the marriage penalty. It also contains tax relief for small businesses, phases out the estate of "death" tax, establishes tax incentives for educational assistance and tax relief associated with pending health care reform legislation.

Finally, I am pleased to report that the Republican budget increases spending for education, national defense, transportation and veterans programs. In response to many of my constituents' concerns, it also decreases foreign aid expenditures. I believe this budget does it all. I hope my Republican colleagues will continue to spearhead a campaign of reform, beginning with the adoption of the fiscally responsible Republican budget.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, March 28, 2000 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

MARCH 29

9:30 a.m.

Appropriations

Defense Subcommittee

To hold closed hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Defense, focusing on Air Force programs, (to be followed by an open session in SD-192).

SH-219

Judiciary

Administrative Oversight and the Courts Subcommittee

To hold oversight hearings on the handling of the investigation of Peter Lee.

SD-226

Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings on S. 2267, to direct the National Institute of Standards and Technology to establish a program to support research and training in methods of detecting the use of perform-

ance-enhancing substances by athletes (pending on Senate calendar).

SR-253

Rules and Administration

To hold hearings to examine Presidential primaries and campaign finance.

SR-301

10 a.m.

Finance

To resume hearings to examine the inclusion of a prescription drug benefit in the Medicare program.

SD-215

Budget

Business meeting to continue markup a proposed concurrent resolution setting forth the fiscal year 2001 budget for the Federal Government.

SD-608

10:30 a.m.

Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings on how to structure government to meet the challenges of the millennium.

SD-342

2 p.m.

Intelligence

To hold closed hearings on pending intelligence matters.

SH-219

2:30 p.m.

Energy and Natural Resources

Forests and Public Land Management Subcommittee

To hold hearings on S. 1778, to provide for equal exchanges of land around the Cascade Reservoir, S. 1894, to provide for the conveyance of certain land to Park County, Wyoming, and S. 1969, to provide for improved management of, and increases accountability for, out-fitted activities by which the public gains access to and occupancy and use of Federal land.

SD-366

Indian Affairs

To hold hearings on S. 1967, to make technical corrections to the status of certain land held in trust for the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, to take certain land into trust for that Band; S. 1507, to authorize the integration and consolidation of alcohol and substance programs and services provided by Indian tribal governments; and S. 1509, to amend the Indian Employment, Training, and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992, to emphasize the need for job creation on Indian reservations.

SR-485

MARCH 30

9 a.m.

Appropriations

Treasury and General Government Subcommittee

To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for Treasury Law Enforcement Bureaus.

SD-192

9:30 a.m.

Appropriations

VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies Subcommittee

To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

SD-138

Appropriations

Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Subcommittee

To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services.

SD-124

Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings on S. 882, to strengthen provisions in the Energy Policy Act of 1992 and the Federal Nonnuclear Energy Research and Development Act of 1974 with respect to potential Climate Change; and S. 1776, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 1992 to revise the energy policies of the United States in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, advance global climate science, promote technology development, and increase citizen awareness.

SD-366

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the need for nonproliferation policy innovations.

SD-430

Rules and Administration

To hold oversight hearings on the operations of the Architect of the Capitol.

SR-301

10 a.m.

Judiciary

Business meeting to markup H.R. 2260, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to promote pain management and palliative care without permitting assisted suicide and euthanasia; and S. 1854, to reform the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976.

SD-226

Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings on the nominations of Alan Craig Kessler, of Pennsylvania, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service; and Carol Waller Pope, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority.

SD-342

Finance

Business meeting to markup H.R. 6, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to eliminate the marriage penalty by providing that the income tax rate bracket amounts, and the amount of the standard deduction, for joint returns shall be twice the amounts applicable to unmarried individuals.

SD-215

Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings on S. 1361, to amend the Earthquake Hazards Reduction Act of 1977 to provide for an expanded Federal program of hazard mitigation, relief, and insurance against the risk of catastrophic natural disasters, such as hurricanes, earthquakes, and volcanic eruptions.

SR-253

10:30 a.m.

Environment and Public Works

Superfund, Waste Control, and Risk Assessment Subcommittee

To hold hearings on the Administration's fiscal year 2001 budget for programs with the Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response.

SD-406

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2 p.m.
Judiciary
Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine racial profiling within law enforcement agencies.
SD-226

Foreign Relations
Meeting to discuss crucial issues before the United Nations.
SD-419

Intelligence
To hold closed hearings on pending intelligence matters.
SH-219

2:30 p.m.
Energy and Natural Resources
Forests and Public Land Management Subcommittee
To hold oversight hearings on the President's October 1999 announcement to review approximately 40 million acres of national forest lands for increased protection.
SD-366

MARCH 31

9:30 a.m.
Energy and Natural Resources
Energy Research, Development, Production and Regulation Subcommittee
To hold oversight hearings to examine the Department of Energy's findings at the Gaseous Diffusion Plant in Paducah, Kentucky, and plans for cleanup at the site.
SD-366

APRIL 4

9:30 a.m.
Appropriations
Interior Subcommittee
To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Office of the Special Trustee, Department of the Interior.
SD-138

10 a.m.
Appropriations
Transportation Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine the implementation of the Driver's Privacy Protection Act, focusing on the positive notification requirement.
SD-192

APRIL 5

9:30 a.m.
Appropriations
Interior Subcommittee
To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of the Interior.
SD-124

Indian Affairs
To hold hearings on S. 612, to provide for periodic Indian needs assessments, to require Federal Indian program evaluations.
SR-485

10 a.m.
Appropriations
Defense Subcommittee
To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Defense, focusing on Army programs.
SD-192

APRIL 6

9:30 a.m.
Appropriations
VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies Subcommittee
To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Veterans Affairs.
SD-138

2:30 p.m.
Energy and Natural Resources
National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation Subcommittee
To hold oversight hearings on the incinerator component at the proposed Advanced Waste Treatment Facility at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory and its potential impact on the adjacent Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks.
SD-366

APRIL 8

10 a.m.
Appropriations
Defense Subcommittee
To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Defense, focusing on medical programs.
SD-192

APRIL 11

9:30 a.m.
Appropriations
Interior Subcommittee
To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Energy.
SD-138

10 a.m.
Energy and Natural Resources
To hold hearings on S. 282, to provide that no electric utility shall be required to enter into a new contract or obligation to purchase or to sell electricity or capacity under section 210 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978; S. 516, to benefit consumers by promoting competition in the electric power industry; S. 1047, to provide for a more competitive electric power industry; S. 1284, to amend the Federal Power Act to ensure that no State may establish, maintain, or enforce on behalf of any electric utility an exclusive right to sell electric energy or otherwise unduly discriminate against any consumer who seeks to purchase electric energy in interstate commerce from any supplier; S. 1273, to amend the Federal Power Act, to facilitate the transition to more competitive and efficient electric power markets; S. 1369, to enhance the benefits of the national electric system by encouraging and supporting State programs for renewable energy sources, universal electric service, affordable electric service, and energy conservation and efficiency; S. 2071, to benefit electricity consumers by promoting the reliability of the bulk-power system; and S. 2098, to facilitate the transition to more competitive and efficient electric power markets, and to ensure electric reliability.
SH-216

APRIL 12

9:30 a.m.
Appropriations
VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies Subcommittee
To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Corporation for National and Community Service, Community Development Financial Institutions, and Chemical Safety Board.
SD-138

Indian Affairs
To hold oversight hearings on the report of the Academy for Public Administration on Bureau of Indian Affairs management reform.
SR-485

10 a.m.
Appropriations
Defense Subcommittee
To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Defense, focusing on missile defense programs.
SD-192

APRIL 13

9:30 a.m.
Appropriations
VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies Subcommittee
To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
SD-138

Energy and Natural Resources
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SH-216

2:30 p.m.
Energy and Natural Resources
Forests and Public Land Management Subcommittee
To hold hearings on S. 2034, to establish the Canyons of the Ancients National Conservation Area.
SD-366

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APRIL 26	CANCELLATIONS	Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions	
10 a.m.		To hold hearings on medical records pri-	
Appropriations	MARCH 29	vacancy.	
Defense Subcommittee	9:30 a.m.		SD-430
To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Department of Defense.	Energy and Natural Resources		
	Business meeting to consider pending	APRIL 19	
	calendar business.		
SD-192		9:30 a.m.	
		Indian Affairs	
		Business meeting to consider pending	
		calendar business; to be followed by	
		hearings on S. 611, to provide for ad-	
		ministrative procedures to extend Fed-	
		eral recognition to certain Indian	
		groups.	
			SR-485
SEPTEMBER 26	POSTPONEMENTS		
9:30 a.m.			
Veterans' Affairs	MARCH 30		
To hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on the Legislative recommendation of the American Legion.	10 a.m.		
	Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions		
	Business meeting to consider pending		
	calendar business.		
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			SD-430